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Honorable Anne K. Quinlan, Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001



RE: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub-No. 314X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment in Latrobe, Westmoreland County, PA

## Dear Ms. Quinlan:

The Latrobe Foundation and the Latrobe-Unity Parks and Recreation Commission have been in negotiations with John Foley, Property Manager, Norfolk Southern Corporation, Pittsburgh regarding the acquisition of the above named parcel for a Public Use/Interim Trail Use condition since October, 2009.

We are preparing to sign an Agreement of Sale for the property and then we will be ready to prepare the deed and move on to closing. We should be able to accomplish this work in the next 2-3 months.

However, we will not be able to close on the property by March 25, 2012. We would like to request a 90 day extension of our time period to reach an agreement. Norfolk Southern has indicated to us that they would be willing to agree to this time extension.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance. We are submitting a copy of this request to Timothy J. Bentley, Senior General Attorney, Norfolk Southern Corporation, Three Commercial Place, Norfolk, Virginia 23510-2191.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Mr. Timothy J. Bentley, Senior General Attorney, Norfolk Southern Corporation

Mr. John H. Foley, Property Manager, Norfolk Southern Corporation

Mr. Alex Rocca, Property Manager, Norfolk Southern Corporation